



# STATE OF CONNECTICUT

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TO: Parties and Intervenors

FROM: S. Derek Phelps, Executive Director

RE: **DOCKET NO. 272** - The Connecticut Light and Power Company and The United Illuminating Company application for a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Need for the construction of a new 345-kV electric transmission line and associated facilities between the Scovill Rock Switching Station in Middletown and the Norwalk Substation in Norwalk, Connecticut.

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The Connecticut Siting Council (Council) announces the following confirmed and proposed schedule of hearing and meeting dates.

Please note that the Council wishes to schedule a day off between hearings for review of material and other business – hence, the hearing dates proposed for January, as indicated below, provide idle days on Wednesdays (January 12 and 19, 2005). However, such idle days between hearings may be used to continue the evidentiary process at the Council's discretion.

### December Schedule (Confirmed)

#### Hearing Date

Tuesday, December 14, 2004

*(Topic: Cross on KEMA Report)*

Wednesday, December 15, 2004

*(Topic: Statements by Mayors & First Selectmen; Cross on ABB VSC HVDC System Feasibility Study and Technical Description of VSC HVDC Converter and Cable Technology Report)*

(Pre-filed testimony due December 7, 2004. NOTE: This pre-filing date for hearings on December 14 and 15, 2004, previously announced as November 30, has been extended to accommodate the delivery of KEMA's responses to interrogatories.)

### Proposed Schedule

#### Hearing Date

Wednesday, January 5, 2005

*(Topic: Clean-up)*

(Pre-filed testimony due Wednesday, December 22, 2004)

<u>Hearing Date</u>	<u>Idle Date</u>
Tuesday, January 11, 2005 (Topic: Cross on ROC Report)	
	Wednesday, January 12, 2005 ( <i>Idle</i> )
Thursday, January 13, 2005 (Topic: Cross on ROC Report) (Pre-filed testimony due Tuesday, December 28, 2004)	
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Tuesday, January 18, 2005 (Clean-up)	
	Wednesday, January 19, 2005 ( <i>Idle</i> )
Thursday, January 20, 2005 (Clean-up) (Pre-filed testimony due Tuesday, January 4, 2005)	

<u>Decision Schedule</u>
(NOTE: The following dates may fluctuate as demands dictate)
Record closes 30 days from last hearing (Jan. 20, 2005) on February 21, 2005
Party/Intervenor proposed Findings of Fact and Brief filed no later than February 21, 2005
Council deliberates Draft Findings of Fact, February 24, 2005
Council deliberates Draft Findings of Fact, Opinion, and Decision and Order, March 10, 2005
Hearing for Party/Intervenor Oral Arguments, March 24, 2005
<u>Statutory Decision Deadline: April 7, 2005</u>

The Council requests parties and intervenors to list topics for continued cross-examination to be conducted on clean-up dates. Any parties or intervenors who object to this schedule are asked to submit their concerns in writing. Objections and/or topics for continued cross-examination should be filed no later than November 8, 2004.

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